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SUBJECT: CONGRESS PARTY MEMBERS ALLEGE CIA ACTIVITY IN  
INDIA

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF A PTI STORY NOVEMBER 29:

2. QUOTE: "TWENTY-ONE CONGRESS MEMBRES OF PARLIAMENT HAVE  
CHARGED THAT THE UNITED STATES AND ITS CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
AGENCY WERE PLAYING THEIR 'LITTLE ROLE' IN INDIA IN AIDING  
THEIR 'FEW FRIENDS' TO INFLUENCE A SITUATION".

THOUGH THEY DID NOT NAME THE PRESENT J.P.-LED MOVEMENT  
IN BIHAR AND OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, THEY IMPLIED THAT  
THE MOVEMENT WAS GETTING HELP FROM THE USA AND ITS AGENCY  
TO UPSET THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRACY IN THE COUNTRY.

IN A STATEMENT THEY HAVE SAID, LET THE NATION BE WARNED  
WE WOULD ALSO APPEAL TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AND OTHER  
FREE NATIONS OF THE WORLD TO RAISE THIS QUESTION IN THE  
UNITED NATIONS WORLD FORUM.

THE JOINT STATEMENT REFERRED TO THE RECENT REMARKS OF  
THE CIA CHIEF, MR. WILLIAM COLBY, IN AN INTERVIEW TO A  
US MAGAZINE, ABOUT THE US RIGHT TO CARRY ON CLANDESTINE

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ACTIVITIES ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD.

"THE STATEMENT ALSO DREW ATTENTION TO MR. COLBY'S REMARKS JUSTIFYING THE UNDERCOVER 'DESTABILISING' OPERATIONS IN CHILE, AND SAID THIS EXHIBITED TOTAL DISCONCERN ABOUT THE SOVEREIGN AND INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF A NATION STATE".

"OUR RESPECTED LEADERS HAVE IN THE PAST MORE THAN ONCE WARNED THE NATION AGAINST US SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES IN INDIA. WE ARE A WITNESS TODAY IN INDIA TO A DEEPLAID PLAN TO UPSET THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRACY AND OF A MOTLEY GATHERING OF WIDELY DIVERSE AND MUTUALLY ANTAGONISTIC ELEMENTS TO DESTROY A GOVERNMENT ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE. WE ALSO KNOW THAT IN THIS UNHOLY COMBINATION ARE WELL-KNOWN FRIENDS OF THE USA AND DOMESTIC REACTION".

THE SIGNATORIES VIEWED "WITH DEEP APPREHENSION" IN THIS BACKGROUND "MR. COLBY'S REPORTED REMARKS THAT IN CERTAIN SITUATION 'A LITTLE DISCREET HELP TO A FEW FRIENDS OF THE US OR A LITTLE HELP TO A FEW PEOPLE ESPOUSING A CERTAIN POLICY OR PROGRAMME IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY' CAN ENABLE THE US TO INFLUENCE A LOCAL SITUATION".

"WE CALL THIS A SHAMEFUL AND BLATANT INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF A SOVEREIGN STATE, AND WE CANNOT BUT FEEL CONCERNED AT THE FACT THAT THE SO-CALLED 'TOTAL REVOLUTION' IN INDIA SEEKS TO REVERSE THE NATION'S ACCEPTED POLICIES AND TURN BACK THE CLOCK OF HISTORY".

"VIEWED IN THE BACKGROUND OF US ACTIONS RECENTLY REVEALED IN ITALY, GREECE, CYPRUS OR LAOS, WE BELIEVE, IN SPITE OF ASSURANCES GIVEN, THAT THE US AND ITS CIA ARE PLAYING THEIR 'LITTLE' ROLE IN INDIA IN AIDING THEIR 'FEW FRIENDS' TO INFLUENCE A SITUATION". THE SIGNATORIES WERE--MESSRS. SATPAL KAPUR, HARSHDEO MALVIYA, R.K. SINHA, VAVAL KISHORE SHARM, SHASHI BHUSHAN, AMRIT NAHATA, K.P. UNNI KRISHNAN, VAYALAR RAVI, S.A. AGA, R.K. MISHRA, HIMAT SINGH, AMJAD ALI, M.R. VYAS, R.L. BHATIA, B.K. DASH CHAUDHARY, VASANTH SATHE, . LAKKAPPA, POPATLAL JOSHI, DR. SANKTA PRASAD AND MRS. SUBADHRA JOSHI AND MRS. LAXMI KUMARI CHUNDAWAT. END QUOTE.

3. COMMENT NONE OF THE SIGNATORIES ARE MINISTERS OR OFFICIALS OF THE CONGRESS PARTY. ALL OR ALMOST ALL WERE MEMBERS OF THE FORMER "SOCIALIST FORUM" AND ALL ARE STRONG "PROGRESSIVE" CRITICS OF THE JAYAPRAKASH NARAYAN MOVEMENT. IF ASKED FOR ANY COMMENT, THE EMBASSY WILL RECALL THE SECRETARY'S UNEQUIVOCAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT OF US INTERFERENCE IN INDIA  
INTERNAL POLITICAL AFFAIRS AND NOTE THE GOI'S ACCEPTANCE OF  
THIS ASSURANCE THROUGH ITS REITERATION BY THE DEPUTY  
MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, BIPINPAL DAS, IN  
PARLIAMENT.  
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